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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter
- (2) Supplemental Preliminary Amendment with Attachment A to be examined.
- (3) Check No. 2087 in the amount of \$172.00 for two (2) independent claims in excess of three independent claims.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any excess to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

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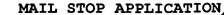
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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examining on the merits and calculating the filing fee for the continuation application filed herewith, please enter the following amendments relative to the immediate prior version of the preliminary amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims 1, 3 and 6 and add newly submitted claims 7-11 in the specification as shown in Attachment A.

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REMARKS

Upon entry of this supplemental preliminary amendment, claims 1-6 and newly submitted claims 7-11 are now pending in this application. The above amendment to claim 3 has been made to correct a typographical error therein. The amendments to claims 1 and 6 have been made to better clarify the subject matter that Applicants consider to be inventive. Support for the amendments to claims 1 and 6, as well as for newly submitted claims 7-11 may be found throughout the specification as